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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1-4. (Canceled)

5. (Currently Amended) A controlling method of a drum type washing machine, comprising:

performing washing and rinsing operations in accordance with a start command inputted by a user and a procedure selected by the user;

performing a laundry quantity measurement operation after the end of the washing and rinsing operations; and an eccentricity measurement operation; and

performing a preliminary spin drying operation when the measured laundry quantity is not smaller than a reference quantity value;

performing a main spin drying operation; and

terminating the spin drying process after the main spin drying operation.

controlling a preliminary spin drying operation to be selectively performed based on the measured laundry quantity and the measured eccentricity.

- 6. (Original) The controlling method according to claim 5, wherein the laundry quantity is the volume of laundry loaded in a drum and/or the weight of the laundry after the rinsing operation.
 - 7. (Canceled)
- 8. (Currently Amended) The controlling method according to claim 5, <u>further</u> comprising:

performing an eccentricity measurement operation after the laundry quantity measurement operation;

performing a determining operation to determine whether the measured eccentricity is smaller than a reference eccentricity value; and

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wherein the eccentricity measurement operation and the determining operation are repeated until the measured eccentricity becomes smaller than the reference eccentricity value. wherein the performing of the eccentricity measurement operation includes determining whether the measured eccentricity is smaller than a reference eccentricity value.

9. (Canceled)

- 10. (Currently Amended) The controlling method according to claim 5, wherein the controlling of the preliminary spin drying operation is carried out, such that the preliminary spin drying operation is not performed and a main spin drying operation are performed in sequence when the measured laundry quantity is not-smaller than a-the reference quantity value. and the measured eccentricity value is smaller than a reference eccentricity value.
- 11. (Currently Amended) The controlling method according to claim 8, wherein the eccentricity measurement operation performing of the eccentricity measurement operation further-includes: stopping a drum and accelerating the drum again.

if the measured laundry quantity is not smaller than the reference quantity value, repeating the eccentricity measurement operation after stopping a drum and accelerating the drum again.

12. (Canceled)

- 13. (Original) The controlling method according to claim 5, wherein the preliminary spin drying operation is carried out at least one time and a main spin drying operation is carried out after the preliminary spin drying operation.
- 14. (Currently Amended) The controlling method according to claim 5, wherein the preliminary spin drying operation is carried out one or more times under an automatic control of a microcomputer based on the measured laundry quantity. and the measured eccentricity.

15-17. (Canceled)